

SITUATION AT VERDUN NOW SUITS THE FRENCH

FRENCH FORCES CONFIDENT NOW

That They Can Hurl Back Any Fresh Onslaught by the German Army.

PERIOD OF CALM NOW

Both Sides Are Bringing Up Fresh Forces and Supplies of Ammunition.

PARIS, March 1.—There is nothing of importance to report in the region to the north of Verdun or in the Woëvre district, according to the announcement made by the French war office this afternoon.

There was an intermittent bombardment last night along the French lines between Regnville and Remenuville.

PARIS, March 1.—That the situation around Verdun is now well in hand and considered quite satisfactory from the French point of view is freely stated by the military expert. To the northeastern part of the stronghold the chief efforts of the Germans seem to be directed to the rescue of the Brandenburger, who remain cooped up in the ruined casemates of Fort Douaumont. The development of the German operations southeast of Verdun is interpreted by the observers as preliminary to an attempt to assault the French positions on the Meuse heights through two principal gaps through the woods, which are protected by Fort Tavenne, east by northeast of Verdun and southeast of Fort Douaumont, and by Fort Rosselle to the southeast of the fortress.

Both sides are profiting by the period of comparative calm to bring up fresh forces and supplies of ammunition. While it is realized that the Germans have not yet reached the limit of their offensive resources it is stated that any fresh onslaught on their part is awaited by the French with supreme confidence in their ability to hurl it back.

"We were in a front line trench on the slope of Cote-du-Poitre," said a wounded sapper, who had returned to a hospital. "The captain sent me forward to a small shelter in the open, where the electric contact had been placed which led to a mine field. I crawled to it along a narrow tunnel without mishap."

"Through a slit I looked out on the battlefield. I saw the Germans, after long waiting, marched forward in good order. They thought from their observation that the bombardment had sufficiently devastated our trenches, but they were unable to see that our men had held firm and were making fresh trenches and using shell craters."

"The Germans were 200 yards from my post when our rifles and machine guns opened fire. They were taken by surprise and crouched down. When the order was passed along their lines to advance they began to sing 'The Watch on the Rhine' and dashed forward."

"My heart beat madly. They were over the mine at last. I touched the button. An infernal fountain seemed to shoot up in the midst of the mass of men in gray with a majestic whirl of smoke. I saw men go up bodily as if from the crater of a volcano."

"The attack was stopped. I crawled back to my trench. I had barely emerged from the tunnel when I felt a burning sensation in my shoulder and fainted. When I recovered consciousness I found myself in an ambulance."

CHICKEN PIE SUPPER.

The Ladies Aid Society of the First Presbyterian church will give a Chicken Pie Supper in the McClelland Bible Class room of the First Presbyterian church, Thursday, March 2, from 5:30 to 8:00 o'clock.

GO TO OKLAHOMA.

C. I. Dulin along with his family left Wednesday morning for Tulsa, Okla., where he will work in oil fields. Mr. Dulin was a driller here a number of years for the Hope Natural Gas Company.

DOZEN BIG LINERS NOW IN WAR ZONE

With Opening of the New Submarine Campaign by Teutonic Powers Due to Start.

NEW YORK, March 1.—The scheduled opening of the new submarine campaign of the Teutonic powers finds twelve big liners in or near the war zone in which the German and Austrian undersea boats are operating.

The liners are the Cretic, White Star line; Italia, Italian line; Taormina, Italian line; LaFayette, French line; Philadelphia, American line; Finland, in American line service; Bergensford, Norwegian-American line; America, Italian line; Patria, Fabra line; Penionnia, Cunard line; and the Hannania and the Vasileff Constantinos of the Greek line.

None of these vessels is believed to be armed unless they have mounted guns at sea.

OPINIONS

Of Importance Are Handed Down by Supreme Court of West Virginia.

CHARLESTON, March 1.—In reversing the circuit court of Kanawha county in the case of Petry against the Cabin Creek Consolidated Coal Company, in which damages had been awarded the plaintiff in the lower court, the supreme court has found that a corporation engaged in mining coal has a right to prevent in a proper way its employees from riding in mine cars inside the mines. This court also found, in reversing the circuit court of Harrison county, in the case of Kunkle against the Baltimore and Ohio in which damages had been awarded the plaintiff, that a railroad company is not responsible for damages when in its ordinary course of operation a train causes a horse to frighten and run away.

Aside from these two reversals the court has returned five other opinions, as follows: Fidelity and Guaranty Company against Bank, from Harrison county, affirmed. Bond against Priest, from Lewis county, reversed. State against Sommers, from Lewis county, affirmed. Trust Company against Price, from Mineral county, affirmed. Oil Company against Development Company, from Kanawha county, affirmed.

A writ of error and supersedeas has been allowed in the case from McDowell county of Wyatt against Griddell. Appeal and supersedeas has been refused in the case from Cabell county of Strank against Strank.

LABEL ON SATCHEL

Properly Covers Whiskey Carried on Person, Magistrate Starcher Holds.

It is perfectly all right, in the opinion of Magistrate William E. Starcher, for a person to carry four pints of whiskey in one's pocket in addition to a properly labeled satchel of the liquor, provided a label is in plain view somewhere indicating that the whiskey is carried in the pockets.

This interpretation of the Yost prohibition law was given by him in the case of Clifford Post at the close of a trial last Tuesday. Post was recently arrested by officers at the West End junction for carrying four pints of whiskey in his pocket in addition to some in a satchel which bore a label indicating the fact that he was carrying the four pints in his pockets as well as the quantity contained in the satchel.

The magistrate discharged Clifford as not guilty.

MINE HORROR

Near Kempton is Being Investigated by Federal and State Officers Now.

KEMPTON, March 1.—Federal and state officers Wednesday were investigating the explosion in mine No. 42 of the Davis Coal and Coke Company, which Tuesday cost the lives of fifteen men. They were assisted by A. W. Galaway, president of the company, and R. P. Maloney, in charge of the mine, and were particularly interested in finding out why an explosion occurred in one of the best equipped mines in the country.

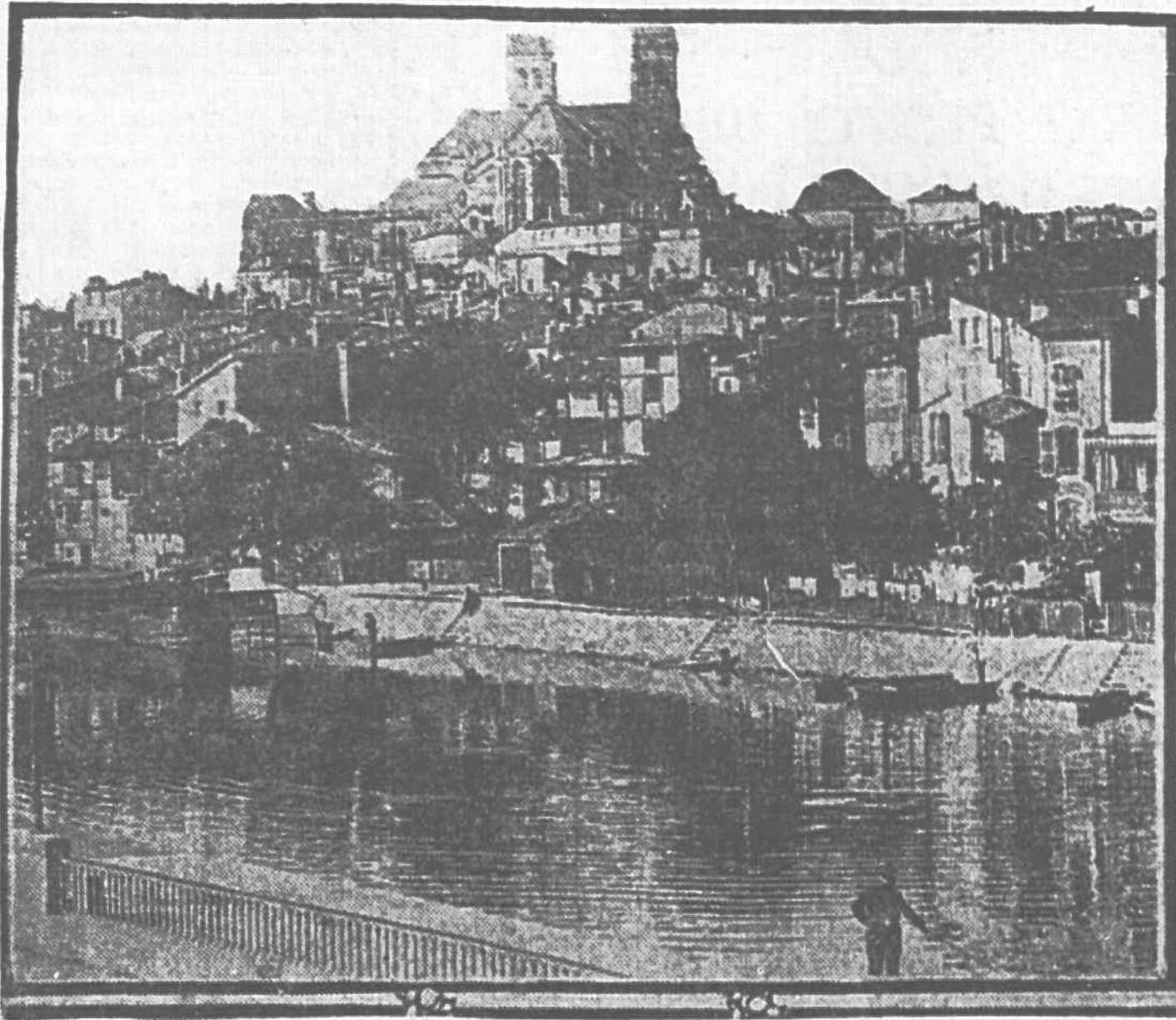
The dead miners were taken to Thomas, nearby, where they will be buried Thursday. Two of the injured were said to be in a critical condition. The question of jurisdiction as to the coroner's inquest was raised Wednesday as the shaft is in West Virginia, but the section where the men were killed is across the line in Maryland.

SCHOOL

Of Designing, Tailoring, Cutting and the Like Will Be Opened in This City.

A unique institution in this city is about to be brought into being in the way of a school of designing, tailoring, cutting and fitting as well as making. This school will be located in the Irwin building. The Telegram is informed that Frank Reda, who is associated with a gentleman from New York will be at the head of this enterprise. It rarely speaks well for the city, as it believed the time is ripe to launch an enterprise such as this. An institution where designing as well as cutting and fitting is taught is something that cities many times the size of Clarksburg can not boast of.

STRONGLY FORTIFIED CITY OF VERDUN IS TEUTON GOAL



A view of the city of Verdun on the Meuse river in France.

Verdun, strongly fortified French city, is the goal of the terrific German offensive which has been developing since early last week. The battle here is one of the bloodiest in the history of the war. Verdun has a population of 22,000.

Telegram Better Foods Better Homes School Surpasses all Previous Efforts

Miss Hanko Gives Pastry Lesson Tomorrow—Big Crowd Ate Baked Ice Cream Last Night.

PROGRAM FOR THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

Subject: "The Buying and Selecting of Foods."
Menu:
Ship Doodles
Crown Roast of Lamb in Cooker
Currant Sauce
Dauphine Potatoes
Butterfly Tea Tartslets



There have been cooking schools in Clarksburg at various times, but nothing like the one which is being held this week by Miss Emma Hanko, in the Masonic auditorium, under the auspices of the Telegram.

Miss Hanko's lectures are on a high plane of thought that appeals to thoughtful women who are eager to provide for their families the best kind of homes and the sort of food that will nourish and build up strong bodies and alert and active minds. This excellent cookery teacher is showing how to do plain cooking in the very best manner possible and also has a few fancy dishes on her program. One of these was the baked ice cream served last night to the large and enthusiastic crowd, which filled the auditorium.

Miss Hanko's talk on the Business of Housekeeping appealed both to the men and the women of her class, dealing as it did, with the wise expenditure of money. Everyone marveled over the ice cream and all thoroughly enjoyed the finished product.

This afternoon, Miss Hanko is telling the women of her class about some simple tests they can make of foods in their own homes to determine whether or not they are giving their family pure and unadulterated foods. This talk on the reading of labels, she always finds arouses much

interest. Tomorrow her lecture is on marketing. On Friday she will give a pleasing demonstration of how to set the table and serve a meal. A pastry lesson is part of tomorrow's cookery program. Miss Hanko bakes pastry in such a manner to be nourishing instead of harmful and men who like pies, and this probably includes every man in Clarksburg, will be glad indeed, to have their wives convinced by Miss Hanko, that it is possible to make wholesome and digestible pastry.

Tempting menus are being prepared each day and delicious foods served to the women who are attending Miss Hanko's classes.

The following are some of Miss Hanko's tested recipes. These are in addition to the ones demonstrated by her at the Telegram Better Foods Better Homes school in the Masonic auditorium.

Celery and Almond Salad.
One cupful melted crisco, 1 head of celery, one-half cupful blanched almonds, 1 crisp lettuce head, 1 yolk of egg, one-half teaspoonful mustard, 1 teaspoonful salt, red pepper to taste, one-half teaspoonful sugar, 1 tablespoonful lemon juice, 1 tablespoonful vinegar, few drops green coloring.

Melt and cool crisco. Prepare celery and cut into very thin strips and plunge in ice water until wanted. Blanch and shred almonds; wash and dry lettuce leaves. Put yolk of egg into bowl, add mustard, salt and red pepper, and mix well with wooden spoon. Add sugar, teaspoonful lemon juice, teaspoonful vinegar; beat in crisco gradually. Remove spoon and beat with egg beater five minutes, then beat color to make it look pretty. Dry celery and mix with almonds, then toss them into dressing. Serve on lettuce leaves.

Two cupfuls sugar, two cupfuls crisco, 12 eggs, 3 tablespoonfuls brandy, 4 cupfuls flour, 2 teaspoonfuls salt, one-half teaspoonful powdered mace.

Cream crisco and sugar thoroughly together, add yolks of eggs well beaten, fold in whites of eggs beaten to a stiff froth, add brandy, flour, salt

and mace, and mix lightly and quickly. Turn into a prepared cake pan and bake in a slow oven for one hour and twenty minutes. Sufficient for one large cake.

Three tablespoonfuls crisco, 2 tablespoonfuls sugar, 2 teaspoonfuls salt, 2 cupfuls scalded milk, 1 yeast cake, dissolved in one-fourth cupful lukewarm water, flour.

Add crisco, sugar and salt to milk; when lukewarm add dissolved yeast cake and three cupfuls flour, beat thoroughly, cover and let rise until light. Cut down, and add flour enough to knead. Let rise again, toss on a slightly floured board, knead, pat and roll out to one-third inch thickness. Shape with biscuit cutter. Dip the handle of a case knife into flour and with it make a crease through the middle of each piece. Brush over one-half of each piece with melted crisco. Fold and press edges together. Place in a pan greased with crisco one inch apart, cover, let rise and bake in a hot oven 12 to 15 minutes.

Twin Mountain Muffins.
Three tablespoonfuls crisco, one-fourth cupful sugar, 1 egg, 2 cupfuls flour, 3 tablespoonfuls baking powder, one-half teaspoonful salt, three-fourths cupful milk.

Cream the crisco, and add sugar gradually, then the beaten egg. Next add the flour, sifted with baking powder and salt, alternating with milk. This mixture may be spread in one pan and cut into squares after baking and served with a sauce or for dessert. One cupful of berries or other fruit may be added and the mixture steamed for a pudding.

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FIGHT

For Their Amended Wage Demand Do the Soft Coal Miners at Conference.

NEW YORK, March 1.—When the soft coal miners resumed their conference with operators from the middle West here today to negotiate a new working contract, they were prepared to fight for the amended wage demand submitted to the employers yesterday.

Despite the concessions made by the United Mine Workers, the operators still oppose making an agreement, they say, because the advance demanded is not justified by business conditions in the soft coal mining industry. The miners declare they will not concede anything more and would rather lose an interstate agreement and fight out the battle in separate state conferences and take less than the rate submitted yesterday.

A special convocation of Clarksburg Commandry No. 13, Knight Templars will be held at 7:30 o'clock Thursday evening in the Masonic temple, on West Pike street for Red Cross work.

STATION BURNED

And the Fire Department Believes the Fire is a Result of an Enemy Plot.

MONTREAL, March 1.—The Bonaventure station of the Grand Trunk railroad was destroyed by fire today at a loss estimated at \$200,000. The police declared that a preliminary investigation indicated that the fire was caused by crossed electric wires but fire department officials said they have reason to believe the building was destroyed as a result of an enemy plot.

EXAMINATIONS

Are Waived by Burnham and He is Held to Grand Jury.

Villa Burnham, alias H. A. Pearson, the negro who was recently arrested by police under charges of committing burglary at Welch and Fullerton's drug store and at the United Woolen Mills Company's store, waived examinations under both charges Wednesday morning in Magistrate R. Edward Kidd's court and was held to the grand jury. In default of bonds of \$500 each he was remanded to jail.

Ethno Ciccone, aged 21 years, an employee of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company at its Grafton shops, died at 9 o'clock Tuesday night in a local hospital following an operation. Ciccone was brought to the hospital Tuesday but he was too far gone for the operation to benefit him any and he passed away at the hour stated above. No funeral arrangements have been made yet.

STEAMSHIP SUNK

And All the Numbers of Crew Killed or Drowned According to a Report.

LONDON, March 1.—The British steamship Thoraby, which sailed from Sunderland, England, for Portland, Jan. 19, is reported to have been sunk and all of the members of the crew as having been killed or drowned.

Although the British censorship prevents transmission of details concerning the sinking of the Thoraby, the reference to the members of the crew having been lost indicates it was sunk by a mine or torpedo.

GRAFTON MAN DIES.

H. N. Bradley, former postmaster of Charles Town, and one of the best informed politicians of the eastern Panhandle section, voiced the sentiments of the party in an interview given out here Monday night. He said: "It would be a blunder to nominate General Lilly in view of his reported alliance with the Manufacturers' Heat

HABIT OF HOUSE TO OBEY WILSON

LIVE STOCK MEETING.

Saturday at 1 p. m. a live stock meeting will be held at the court house, at which time V. V. Law, Dr. C. L. Cookman, Dr. Truman Gore and Dr. Arthur Sheets will speak on the importance of pure bred sires and Dr. J. J. Cranwell will discuss the subject of "Common Ailments of Farm Animals." A good attendance of live stock farmers of the county is desired. Do not forget the day and the hour.

SHIP ON FIRE

With a Million Gallons of Lubricating and Refined Oil as Its Cargo.

MANCHESTER, March 1.—The British steamer Splraea of 2,370 tons net from Philadelphia, while discharging oils in barrels here, caught fire Wednesday. The fire is still burning.

MILLION GALLONS OF OIL ON BOARD SHIP

PHILADELPHIA, March 1.—The Splraea has on board a million gallons of lubricating and refined oil valued at \$113,000. The cargo was shipped by the Standard Oil Company.

PURE FOOD LAW

Is Invoked in Lard and Whiskey Case Against Negro.

George Walker, the negro who was held for the grand jury under a charge of violating the Yost law by importing whiskey concealed in lard, has also been held for the federal grand jury by S. R. Harrison, Jr., federal court commissioner, for violating the pure foods law by mislabeling the whiskey.

This is said to be the first case of the kind in the district in which federal action was taken under the pure foods law in a whiskey case since West Virginia went dry.

GAS RATE

Increase Proposed at Grafton Brings Forth Protests to State Service Board.

GRAFTON, March 1.—Following the receipt of notices from the Pittsburgh and West Virginia Gas Company, of Pittsburgh, of an increase in gas rates for manufacturing purposes after April 1, protests have been prepared by the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, city author-

BIG GAS COMPANY IS BACK OF LILLY

And That Certainly Makes Him An Impossibility as a Gubernatorial Candidate.

CHARLESTON, March 1.—Attorney General A. A. Lilly, in the opinion of men high in the councils of the Republican party, has made himself an impossibility as a gubernatorial candidate by accepting campaign assistance from the Manufacturers' Heat and Light Company. It is the consensus of opinion that the general acted with gross impropriety in permitting the corporation, which is involved in litigation with the state, to lend its support to his cause.

The enormity of his mistake, it is said, is emphasized by the fact that it is his sworn duty, as head of the state's legal department, to prosecute the suit, in which hundreds of thousands of dollars of West Virginia citizens' money is involved. He could not accept favors from such a source and remain true to his trust as a public official, it is contended. Party leaders, who have no interest in the contest for governor except the welfare of the party, say it would be a grave mistake to place Lilly at the head of the ticket because of his alleged connection with the privileged-seeking corporations.

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Is Developed to a High Degree According to Kitchen, Democratic Floor Leader.

PRESIDENT IS HELPLESS

Says Foreign Capitals Are Industriously Using Dissensions and Congress.

WASHINGTON, March 1.—At an early conference at the White House Wednesday, President Wilson and administration leaders made plans for bringing the armed ship agitation in Congress to an end at once with a demonstration of unity to convince Germany that the American Congress stands behind the foreign policy of the government.

President Wilson reiterated to the leaders that while dissensions in the American Congress over the question of warning Americans of armed ships were being made "industrious use of in foreign capitals" and being pictured as evidence that the country does not support the president in his stand for the observance of the laws of the nation, his negotiations with Germany are embarrassed and in fact cannot be continued.

Speaker Clark and Majority Leader Kitchen said no action could be taken Wednesday in the House and that the conference had been devoted chiefly to discussing procedure.

"The habit of obedience has been developed to a high degree in Congress," was Mr. Kitchen's answer to a question about prospects for a vote. One plan discussed was for the House foreign affairs committee to report adversely one of the pending resolutions and at the same time have the rules committee bring in a rule limiting debate. By that plan, a vote could be reached in the House Thursday and Friday.

The president told the leaders the foreign situation was no more serious Wednesday than it has been for several weeks but he believed action should be taken quickly to show the world the American government was not divided.

Some of the conferees thought the best procedure was for the Senate and House to adopt a resolution supporting the president's position, but Mr. Wilson vetoed the plan and expressed a desire to have the vote on a resolution warning Americans of armed ships because he was confident it would be defeated.

It was understood that some of the leaders, who conferred at the White House Wednesday, still differed with the president's position. Speaker Clark, who predicted last week that the warning resolution would pass two to one at that time, said he did not know the sentiment of the House now and refused to say how he himself would vote.

THIRTEEN KILLED.

BERLIN, March 1.—Despatches from Innsbruck say that thirteen persons were killed by an avalanche in Stelvio pass on the border of Tyrol and Italy.

ities and manufacturing interests to be presented to the public service commission and the increase will be fought to the end. The present minimum rate here is six and three-fourths cents per thousand feet, while the new minimum rate will be ten cents.

and Light Company. If the general is receiving aid from the corporations seeking to exploit the state's resources, which combinations he is sworn to prosecute, he certainly is not the man for the Republican party to name as its standard bearer.

"When a corporation of the character of the heat and light company fosters an official campaign it has a motive in doing so. It wants a man in the governor's office whom it believes will give it what it wants. The fact that it is giving aid to General Lilly indicates that it has an understanding with him. The Republican party cannot afford to participate in any such deal."

Speaking of the political complexion of his district, Mr. Bradley said: "The whole eastern part of the state will give Judge Robinson an unprecedented majority. He will make a clean sweep of it. The judges is a product of the Second district and we are mighty proud of him. No honor we could bestow would be too great for him. The better one knows him the better he would be sure to love and admire him, and we know him well. His immaculate official career is too well known to require any comment and his private life is a model. We of the Panhandle country are in a better position to know and appreciate him than most people for he lived among us for years and we have ample opportunity to become familiar with and appreciate his many sterling qualities."

"With Judge Robinson at the head of the ticket, the Republican party of West Virginia this fall will march to the most glorious victory of its history."